

TOWN OF STONEHAM MASSACHUSETTS Town Hall 35 Central Street

Stoneham Conservation Commission 781-279-2696

STONEHAM CONSERVATION COMMISSION MINUTES OF MEETING May 11, 2020 Remote 7 PM

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Conservation Commission members in attendance Rob Fotino, Bob Parsons, Alex Rozycki, Megan Day, Jessica Gerke and Ellen McBride as of 7:11pm

Certificate of Vote on accepting electronic signatures and delegation of signature authority.

Vote that the board recognizes and accepts the provisions of M.G.L. c.110G regarding electronic signatures and that its members will henceforth execute documents either with electronic signatures or with wet ink signatures and that both will carry the same legal weight and effect.

Motion made by Alex Rozycki and seconded by Megan Day. Roll call vote all 6 yes.

PUBLIC HEARING:

Birch St #3

Charles Houghton
Notice of Intent continued from April 21, 2020

Jack Sullivan Engineer in attendance. DEP #297-0395. Pam Merrell contacted regarding exemption from storm water. Planning Board required drainage. Proposed house outside 100 foot buffer zone. LEC wetland flagging. There is siltation fence and erosion control. Services need to be run to lot 3. Roadway extension falls to wetlands. 60 feet of 100 foot roadway is in 100 foot but not 25 foot no disturb.

Alex Rozycki and Bob Parsons did site visits. Bob Parsons said site is tidy, no questions. Alex Rozycki asked about test pits, response that Bob Grover was involved. Mr. Sullivan will look into and provide. Alex Rozycki asks that there be something to keep the stones from washing away, an operations and maintenance agreement with homeowners. Charlie Houghton responds no Homeowners Association, can set one up for 3 lots but usually is larger. Bob Parsons states a condition that the infiltration basin be maintained and keep snow from being pushed into basins. Discussion of three foot high post and rail fence between roadway and infiltration basin to be included in order of conditions. Jack Sullivan will provide test pit info and total site disturbance number.

Motion to close public hearing from Bob Parsons seconded by Megan Day. Roll call all 6 yes.

MWRA

MWRA Section 89 Pipeline Replacement

Stantec- Gina Bretton

Notice of Intent continued from April 21, 2020

Patrick Barrett recaps that Section 89 replacement of 1974 pipe that is 48" main and covers 10,500 feet. Start August 2020 and is a 4 year project. Section 29 is cast iron main by Stone Zoo abandoned in place. Gillis Pump Station Section 110 need to tie into Section 89. \$25million project.

Lisa Carrozza by Spot Pond cut and cover, replace, reseed. Existing manholes removed in buffer zones. Cross Fellsway Rte 28 manholes and new lines installed. Fallon Rd to I93 ramp slip line and thread pipe. 10 foot wide excavation beyond bank in stream by culvert in Winchester. Bordering vegetated wetland is an access route. Survey of area with photos to document existing and in kind replacement. Use swamp mats to lessen impact. Erosion and sedimentation controls.

Nick Bouthilette states access from off ramp, ground water control should take a couple months. Staging outside of wetlands area, generators on 24 hours per day. Bob Parsons comments about Winchester crossing and dewater with sedimentation barriers. Nick Bouthilette mentions means and methods. Lisa Carrozza states it will need to be visibly free and clear of solids for dewatering. Patrick Barrett says it will be monitored by MWRA, Stantec and resident engineer on site.

Bob Parsons asks if the trees with green tags will be removed? Answered yes. Lisa Carrozza states 56 trees total, many inside easement, 51 in jurisdiction. Majority at Mave Apartments. Ellen asks for restoration plan included in order of conditions. Bob Parsons asks for sedimentation controls so backup doesn't come in to Stoneham. Patrick Barrett mentions native grasses or open to vegetation suggestions for shrubbery; and timeline of December 2022-December 2023. Ellen McBride asks if trees can be planted in other Stoneham areas. Patrick Barrett says over 600 inches of trees will be removed. He can work with Jim Previte and Town on tree plan and bank reestablishment. Lisa Carrozza mentions riff raff to provide protection and stabilization. Raymie Parker asks how long will MWRA be in Stoneham. Patrick Barrett says 2 years with majority off road.

Alex Rozycki motions to continue to 6/1/20 to hear restoration planting and stabilization plans, Bob Parsons seconds. Roll call all 6 yes.

4 Columbus Avenue

Ken Bowdidge Jr

Notice of Intent

Mr Bowdidge mentions his hope to build addition. Wetlands are not delineated but he can't avoid wetlands. Ken Bowdidge says creek was diverted to back of house, in the summer completely dry. Ellen McBride explains there is a 25 foot no disturb with wetlands. Bob Parsons offers a site visit to look at Wednesday 5/13/20 at 5:30pm.

Continued until 6/1/20

DISCUSSION ONLY:

2 North Street

Bear Hill Golf Course

Discussion of restoring impacted areas and tree plantings continued.

Ellen McBride discusses follow up from Enforcement order with DEP visit and Tom Mackay sending letter to Commission. Tom Mackay sent pictures of growth. Tom Mackay has spoken to LEC and will schedule a site visit after 5/18/20 with update to Commission 6/1/20. Tom Mackay will share information about pumping of water to irrigate golf course from retention pond. 70 gallons per day 2 months of the year per agreement in 1990-1999. Ellen McBride asks Tom Mackay to send for Conservation Commission files.

Permit for Tree Removal

Ellen McBride

Discussion of bylaw or policy for permit for tree removal continued.

Ellen McBride says Somerville and Brookline have permits. Will continue to look into.

Approve Meeting Minutes April 21, 2020

Motion to approve minutes form 4/21/20 by Bob Parsons, seconded by Rob Fotino. Roll Call Rob Fotino yes, Bob Parsons yes, Megan Day abstains, Jessica Gerke yes, Ellen McBride yes. Alex Rozycki had left the meeting. 4 yes

Next Meetings June 1, 2020 and June 22, 2020

Adjourn 8:44pm